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PRIOR APPLICATION: Examiner: D. Nguyen
Group Art Unit: 3752

DIVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b).

1. This application is a ☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-Part patent application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), of pending prior application no. 10/391,657, filed on March 20, 2003, of:

Inventor(s): Yoram RINGER

For: DRY PIPE VALVE FOR FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER SYSTEM

2. The papers enclosed are as follows:

15 Pages of specification including:
1 Title Page
4 Pages of Claims
1 Page of Abstract

12 Sheets of drawings containing 24 Figures
— Other: _____

3. Amendments

For continuation and divisional applications:

☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

4. Oath or Declaration

For continuation or divisional applications:

- ☐ No oath or declaration is enclosed at this time.
- ☒ A copy of an oath or declaration from a prior application is enclosed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d). The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied is considered as part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- ☐ A signed statement deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application is enclosed.

For continuation-in-part applications:

- ☐ A newly executed (original or copy) oath or declaration is enclosed.
- ☐ An oath or declaration is not enclosed. This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicant(s) await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the declaration and paying the filing fees.

5. Relate Back - 35 U.S.C. § 120

- ☒ Please see the attached Preliminary Amendment.

6. Priority - foreign applications under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) or PCT international applications under 35 U.S.C. § 365(a) designating at least one country other than the U.S.

- ☐ Priority of the following foreign application is claimed:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Filed</u>

- Certified copy: ☐ is/are attached.
☐ will follow.
☐ was filed in prior U.S. Application No. _____ on _____.

7. Assignment

For continuation or divisional applications:

- ☐ The prior application is assigned of record to _____,
recorded _____, at Reel/Frame _____.
- ☐ An assignment of the invention to _____ and a
PTO Form-1595, Recordation Form Cover Sheet, are enclosed.

For continuation-in-part applications:

- ☐ An assignment of the invention to _____ and a
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8. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)

CLAIMS FOR FEE CALCULATION				
	Number Filed	Number Extra	at Rate of	Basic Fee Utility \$770.00 Design \$385.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))	16	0	\$ 18.00 each =	\$0.00
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b))	4	1	\$ 86.00 each =	+ \$86.00
Multiple dependent claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))			\$290.00	+ \$290.00
SUB-TOTAL =				\$1,146.00
Reduction by ½ for filing by a small entity				- \$
TOTAL FILING FEE =				\$1,146.00

9. Fee Payment

- ☐ Not Enclosed. **NO FEE IS BEING PAID BY CHECK OR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT AT THIS TIME.** This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicant(s) await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration and paying the filing fees.
- ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0310 in the amount of **\$1,146.00**, representing \$770.00 for the basic filing fee and \$376.00 for the additional claims fee.

10. Small Entity Status is not claimed.
- ☐ a statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, or
- ☐ a small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and is still proper and desired.
11. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to at least one of the registered practitioners of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP included in the Customer Number provided below to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and all correspondence shall be addressed to that Customer Number.
- ☒ Please address all correspondence to Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP at **Customer Number: 009629**
12. ☐ Recognize as associate attorney _____
(name, address, and registration no.)
13. ☒ **PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in the prior application, application no. 10/391,657, filed March 20, 2003, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the prior application and the present application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.
14. ☒ **EXCEPT** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be an **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

15. Additional papers enclosed:

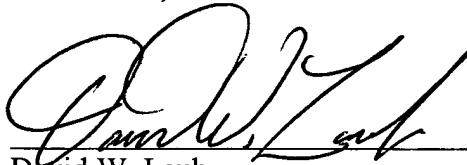
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☒ Form PTO-1449 (without references)
- ☒ Submission of Replacement Drawing Sheets (12 sheets containing 24 figures)
- ☐ Declaration of Biological Deposit
- ☐ Submission of "Sequence Listing", computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: November 19, 2003

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Sir:

SUBMISSION OF REPLACEMENT DRAWING SHEETS

Filed herewith are twelve (12) replacement sheets of formal patent drawings containing twenty-four (24) figures. It is requested that these drawings be approved and made part of the official record in the above-identified patent application.

It is respectfully submitted that these changes introduce no new matter as it conforms to the specification and/or drawings as originally filed, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.81(d).

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of these drawings, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-3010. If a fee is required for an extension and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

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